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1. The Progresul Arms Factory is a new structure of six buildings in Sfântul-Gheorghe. The director is Engineer Matei Ropot; head of the planning section is Engineer Mihai Török.
2. The factory produces Degtyarev type machine pistols in two types, one with a magazine holding 25 rounds and one with a drum holding 75 rounds.
3. Daily production is currently 250 to 270 pistols. The quota is 300 per day. There is no direct data on the quality of the production but in May 1953, when an Albanian military mission took over 7,000 of these machine pistols, 2,370 were rejected. Failures due to seizing up were reported frequently.

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